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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, BEXP, EEWT, GE, US

SUBJECT: US EXHIBIT AT SPRING 1976 LEIPZIG FAIR

REF: BERLIN 5267 (B) BERLIN 5270

1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN PRESENTATION TO KIRSTEN PROPOSED
REFTEL. IN REPLYING TO GDR COMMENTS ON US EXHIBIT,
EMBASSY SHOULD STRESS POINT THAT WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF
CHANGING CONTENT AND THAT, AFTER HAVING KEPT GDR INFORMED
OF OUR PLANS, WE ARE SURPRISED THAT THEY ARE RAISING THE
MATTER AT THIS DATE. EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE TO KIRSTEN THAT
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CONSTRUCTION WORK HAS ALREADY BEGUN ON US EXHIBIT AND THAT

EXHIBIT MANAGER (KOSAKOFF) IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE WASHINGTON FOR THE GDR ON FEBRUARY 25. GDR THUS REQUESTED TO RECONSIDER POSITION ON URGENT BASIS. IF EXHIBIT NOT ACCEPTABLE AS PRESENTLY CONCEIVED, WE WILL BE FORCED TO WITHDRAW OUR PARTICIPATION IN HALL 16 ENTIRELY. FYI: CANCELLATION OF HALL 16 EXHIBIT WOULD NOT AFFECT OUR PLANS FOR COMMERCIAL EXHIBIT IN HALL 18. END FYI.

2. DEPARTMENT AND USIA WILL DISCUSS EXHIBIT PROBLEM WITH GDR EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES. AMBASSADOR COOPER WILL ALSO RAISE THE MATTER WITH GDR AMBASSADOR SIEBER AT PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED LUNCHEON ON FEBRUARY 20. INGERSOLL

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